



**FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**
13051 North Telecom Parkway
Temple Terrace, Florida 34667

RICK SCOTT
GOVERNOR

CARLOS LOPEZ-CANTERA
LT. GOVERNOR

HERSCHEL T. VINYARD JR.
SECRETARY

June 4, 2014

Mr. Irvin Kety, P.G.
Environmental Services Director
City of Largo
P.O. Box 296
Largo, FL 32779-0296
ikety@largo.com

Re: Demand for Stipulated Penalties
Largo WWTF
Facility ID No. FL0026603
OGC File No. 03-0666
Pinellas County

Dear Mr. Kety:

The City of Largo wastewater treatment facility has experienced discharges of raw sewage from the collection system from July 1, 2013 through March 31, 2014. These discharges were determined to not be due to abnormal events and are, therefore, subject to stipulated penalties pursuant to Paragraph No. 25 of Consent Order OGC File No. 03-0666 (Order). This paragraph requires the City to pay the Department stipulated penalties for wastewater discharged from the City System to surface waters which do not qualify as excusable discharges. In accordance with Paragraph 25, the stipulated penalty schedule is as follows. Each category is limited to a daily cumulative maximum amount of \$30,000.00.

Amount/Day/Discharge	Discharge Volume
\$500.00	Up to 5,000 gallons
\$1,000.00	5,001 to 10,000 gallons
\$2,500.00	10,001 to 25,000 gallons
\$5,000.00	25,001 to 100,000 gallons
\$10,000.00	In excess of 100,000 gallons

Of the nineteen reported discharges during the period July 1, 2013 through March 31, 2014, seventeen were to surface waters. One event was a discharge of reclaimed water and one event was attributed to a private system, and were therefore, excluded from the assessment. Based on information gathered from the NOAA National Climatic Data Center and NOAA National Weather Service, the remaining events do not qualify as excusable discharges. The discharges were each assessed a penalty based on the table above. A copy of the spill summary is attached for the City's review. The total amount due for this period is \$77,500.00.

The facility experienced exceedances of the interim limit of Bromo-dichloromethane in August 2013, September 2013, October 2013, and November 2013. These exceedances are subject to stipulated penalties pursuant to Paragraph No. 24 of the Order. This paragraph required the City to pay the Department stipulated penalties in the amount of \$2,500.00 per month for each and every month the City fails to meet the interim limit of Bromo-dichloromethane. The total amount due for these exceedances is \$10,000.00.

Payment of the amount of \$87,500.00 should be made by cashier's check, money order or City check. The instrument shall be made payable to the Department of Environmental Protection and shall include thereon the OGC No. 03-0666 and the notation "Ecosystem Management and Restoration Trust Fund". The payment shall be sent to the Department of Environmental Protection, Southwest District Office, 13051 North Telecom Parkway, Temple Terrace, Florida, 33637-0926. Payment is due within 30 days of receipt of this letter.

Please address any questions to Danielle D. Henry of the Southwest District Office at (813) 470-5901 or via e-mail at Danielle.D.Henry@dep.state.fl.us. We look forward to your cooperation with this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mary E. Yeargan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.


Mary E. Yeargan, P.E.
District Director
Southwest District
Florida Department of Environmental Protection

MEY/ddh/am

Enclosures

ec: Gary R. Glascock, City of Largo, Wastewater Manager; gjonesgl@largo.com
Laurie Roughton, FDEP OGC; Laurie.Roughton@dep.state.fl.us
Cynthia Williams, FDEP, Cynthia.d.williams@dep.state.fl.us

TO: File

FROM: Alison Meetze, Environmental Specialist 

DATE: April 28, 2014

SUBJECT: City of Largo AWWTF
Spill Assessment for the period July 1, 2013 – March 31, 2014
Pursuant to Consent Order No. 03-0666, paragraph 25

State Warning Point ID	Location	Volume	Date of Spill	Stipulated Penalty
2013-4276	Kent Place	97,050	7/2/2013	5,000
2013-4277	Donegan Rd.	157,800	7/2/2013	10,000
2013-4359	Kent Place	200,000	7/3/2013	10,000
2013-4360	Donegan Rd.	200,00	7/3/2013	10,000
2013-4381	Indian Rocks Rd.	47,250	7/4/2013	5,000
2013-4383	Lancaster	66,000	7/3/2013	5,000
2013-5823	West Bay Drive	15,000	8/26/2013	2,500
2013-6488	West Bay Drive	108,855	9/25/2013	
	Starkey	191,511	9/25/2013	
	Donegan & Lake 1	906,000	9/25/2013	
	Donegan & Lake 2	277,460	9/25/2013	
	Donegan & Lake 3	780,000	9/25/2013	
	Donegan & Lake 4	24,745	9/25/2013	
2013-6498	2nd Avenue	69,375	9/25/2013	
2013-6536	16th Avenue NW	121,500	9/25/2013	
			Total for 9/25/2013	*30,000
			Total	\$77,500.00

* Per paragraph 25 of Consent Order No. 03-0666, the maximum cumulative penalty per day is \$30,000.00.